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Re: Application of Toshitaka AGANO, Akira YAMAGUCHI and
Kenichi NAKAGAWA entitled
"LIGHT DIFFUSING PLATE AND DISPLAY APPARATUS"
Assignee: FUJI PHOTO FILM CO., LTD.
Our Reference: Q55890

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Sir:

This is a request for filing a Continuation Application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(d) (Continued Prosecution Application (CPA)) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/484,223 (Confirmation No. 9431) filed on January 18, 2000, by Toshitaka AGANO, Akira YAMAGUCHI and Kenichi NAKAGAWA entitled "LIGHT DIFFUSING PLATE AND DISPLAY APPARATUS."

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d). The prior application, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. It is understood that secrecy under 35 U.S.C. §122 is hereby waived to the extent that if information or access is available to any one of the applications in the file jacket, be it either this application or a prior application in the same file jacket, the Patent and Trademark Office may provide similar information or access to all the other applications in the same file jacket.

The prior application is assigned to Examiner Prasad R. Akkapeddi in Group Art Unit 2871.

Enter the Amendment under 37 CFR § 1.116 previously filed on April 28, 2003, but unentered, in the prior application.

The power of attorney appears in the original papers of the prior application.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No.</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	11-009282	January 18, 1999
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The priority documents were filed in parent application Serial No. 09/484,223.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows, **after entry of the Rule 116 Amendment filed April 28, 2003:**

Total claims	<u>30</u>	-	20	=	<u>10</u>	x	\$18.00	=	<u>\$ 180.00</u>
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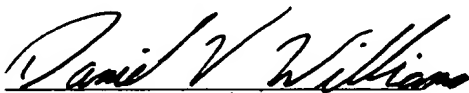
A check for the statutory filing fee of \$1,686.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all additional required fees (except the Issue Fee and/or the Publication Fee) to our Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayment to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is also attached.

A Petition for a one-month Extension of Time with appropriate payment is being filed concurrently herewith in application Serial No. 09/484,223. This application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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